FISCAL NOTE

HB 568 - SB 1671

April 3, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires DNA evidence of a defendant charged with a felony that is collected by or in the possession of a law enforcement agency to be safely stored until released by the defendant and makes such DNA evidence inadmissible in criminal trial unless state demonstrates that it will be safely stored.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000 Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000*

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Bureau of Investigation will require some additional storage capacity to maintain DNA samples for a longer period of time.
- Local law enforcement agencies will require some additional storage capacity to maintain material for DNA testing for a longer period of time.
- Some local law enforcement agencies already maintain materials for DNA testing and DNA samples as required by the bill.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director